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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 10 January 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please cancel pages 20-48 of the specification.

Please renumber pages 49-51 as pages 20-22 respectively.

N THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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-- 11 (amended). A recombinant prokaryotic cell characterized in that it encompasses a DNA vector including a nucleotide sequence encoding a light producing enzyme[,] <u>under transcription control of a</u> tetracycline repressor and <u>a</u> tetracycline promoter, and that the DNA vector is a plasmid containing the luxCDABE genes (SEQ ID NO:3)[,] <u>under transcription control of a</u> tetracycline repressor (TetR) (SEQ ID NO:N) and <u>a</u> tetracycline promoter (TetA) (SEQ ID NO:9) from *Tn*10. --